

Interview Summary

Application No.
09/116,147

Applicant(s)
Liuyang Yang

Examiner
Y. Lee

Art Unit
2613



All participants (applicant, applicant's representative, PTO personnel):

(1) Y. Lee (3) _____
(2) Mr. Steve Neal (4) _____

Date of Interview Jan 29, 2003

Type: a) ☒ Telephonic b) ☐ Video Conference
c) ☐ Personal [copy is given to 1) ☐ applicant 2) ☐ applicant's representative]

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) ☐ Yes e) ☒ No. If yes, brief description:

Claim(s) discussed: 1, 7, and 13

Identification of prior art discussed:

Puri et al (6,148,026)

Agreement with respect to the claims f) ☐ was reached. g) ☒ was not reached. h) ☐ N/A.

Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments:

Mr. Neal asserts that Puri et al does not skip any steps during an encoding pass. However, Examiner maintains that since the Enhancement Layer Encoder is considered optional (i.e. unnecessary), all of the enhancement encoding steps are skipped (i.e. unnecessary to be encoded) when video data are passed through the Base Layer Encoder only.

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

i) ☒ It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview (if box is checked).

Unless the paragraph above has been checked, THE FORMAL WRITTEN REPLY TO THE LAST OFFICE ACTION MUST INCLUDE THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. (See MPEP section 713.04). If a reply to the last Office action has already been filed, APPLICANT IS GIVEN ONE MONTH FROM THIS INTERVIEW DATE TO FILE A STATEMENT OF THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. See Summary of Record of Interview requirements on reverse side or on attached

Examiner Note: You must sign this form unless it is an Attachment to a signed Office action.

Examiner's signature, if required